

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-16 (Canceled)

17. (New) An exhaust-gas cleaning system for cleaning the exhaust gas of an internal combustion engine with self ignition and/or with direct fuel injection, the system comprising

at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4), disposed in an exhaust conduit of the engine,

at least one device (8), disposed downstream of the oxidizing catalytic converter for the selective catalytic reduction of the exhaust gases, and

a delivery device (6), integrated with the at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4), for delivering a reducing agent (61) into the exhaust-gas stream (32) of the engine (2).

18. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 17, wherein the delivery device (6) comprises a nozzle (62) for atomizing the reducing agent (61).

19. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 17, further comprising by a mixing device (63), downstream of the delivery device (6), for distributing the reducing agent (61) in the exhaust-gas stream (32).

20. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 18, further comprising by a mixing device (63), downstream of the delivery device (6), for distributing the reducing agent (61) in the exhaust-gas stream (32).

21. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 18, wherein an outlet of the nozzle (62) is disposed approximately centrally in the oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

22. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 19, wherein an outlet of the nozzle (62) is disposed approximately centrally in the oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

23. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 18, wherein the outlet of the nozzle (62) is disposed in an outer peripheral region of the oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

24. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 19, wherein the outlet of the nozzle (62) is disposed in an outer peripheral region of the oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

25. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 17, wherein the at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4), with the delivery device (6) integrated with it, comprises a first housing (43); and wherein the device for selective catalytic reduction (8) comprises a second housing (81) adjoining the first.

26. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 17, wherein the at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4) and the device for selective catalytic reduction (8) have a common housing (10).

27. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 19, wherein the at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4) and the device for selective catalytic reduction (8) have a common housing (10).

28. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 17, further comprising at least one further oxidizing catalytic converter (41) disposed upstream of the at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4) in the exhaust-gas stream (32) of the engine (2).

29. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 28, wherein the at least one further oxidizing catalytic converter (41) is disposed in the immediate vicinity of the combustion chambers of the engine (2).

30. (New) The exhaust-gas cleaning system of claim 28, wherein the at least one further oxidizing catalytic converter (41) comprises by one further oxidizing catalytic converter (41) each on each exhaust gas outlet (29) from each combustion chamber of the engine (2).

31. (New) A method for cleaning exhaust gases of an internal combustion engine with self ignition and/or with direct fuel injection, the method comprising passing an exhaust-gas stream through at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4) disposed in the exhaust conduit and through at least one device (8), downstream of the oxidizing catalytic converter, for selective catalytic reduction, and

delivering a reducing agent (61) to the exhaust-gas stream (32) inside the at least one oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

32. (New) The method of claim 31, comprising utilizing a nozzle (62) to effect by a delivery and/or atomization of the reducing agent (61).

33. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein the reducing agent (64) is delivered approximately centrally inside the oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

34. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein the reducing agent (61) eccentrically inside the oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

35. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein the exhaust-gas stream (32) is carried through at least one further oxidizing catalytic converter (41) upstream of the first oxidizing catalytic converter (4).

36. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein the exhaust-gas stream (32) is carried through at least one further oxidizing catalytic converter (41) each in each exhaust conduit (29) immediately downstream of the combustion chambers of the engine (2).